

BY HOWARD S. FISK.

LTHOUGH the weather reports throughout the United States show an abnormal rainfallin many instances the increase being more than 300 per cent —automobile touring has increased over any previous year for all sections of the country. The east continues to show the lion's share of autos from other sections, with New England maintaining its position in having cars displaying the license plates of nearly

Transcontinental touring also continues to grow in the number of cars en The various highway associa tions looking after the different routes have not let the weather discourage them and are continually at work repairing any damage that may have been caused to the roads by the rains. On some of them a patrol system is maintained and weekly bulleting are issued showing exact conditions from ponit to point, even where these conditions are

not favorable. These transcontinentalists are wide-spread in their home points of de-parture. The records of the touring bureau of the American Automobile Association, both at the Washington and the New York headquarters, show

W. J. Drumpelman, eastern district

pany, was a visitor at the local

Chaimers agency during last week. making his headquarters at the sales-room in the Union Garage building.

Dr. and Mrs. H. M. Waters arrived

home Wednesday morning at 3 o'clock

after a 2,000-mile trip in their Chalmers roadster. Leaving the National Capital the morning of August 21, they motored to Baltimore, Philadelphia and then to Trenton and New York, spending a couple of days in the metropolitan city. From there they continued their journey to Delaware Water Gap, where they experienced five days of rain, which made the dirt roads in places almost impassable. Notwithstanding the inclement weather they enjoyed the beautiful scenery when Old Sol once more appeared on the scene and proceeded up through the Keystone state to northern New York, passing through Binghamton and Elmira, and ending their trip at Niagara Falls.

On the return trip they motored eastward to Albany and thence down the Hudson river to New York city, following the boulevard down the Atlantic Coast to Atlantic City. After spending a few days at the seashore they were joined by other motorists and left Atlantic City last Tuesday afternoon at 1 o'clock, taking the route via Penns Grove and Wilmington. During the entire trip five punctures occurred, which caused some delay. Striking a couple of large holes where a good macadam road abruptly ended in northern New York, a broken spring resulted, which caused them to lay over about six hours for repairs. No other trouble developed to mar the pleasure of the trip. They both wore a good coat of tan and spoke enthusiastically of the beautiful scenery and good roads which they encountered nearly all the way.

Spent Week End on Motor Trip.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Gliem in their

Stevens-Duryea roadster, with E. C.

Graham as their guest, motored to the

Graham as their guest, motored to the summer home of Mr. Graham at Arundel-on-the-bay, Md., last week for the week end. There they joined Mrs. Graham and the members of her family. Mr. Gilem and Mr. Graham spent a considerable portion of their time with the rod and reel, making one of the largest hauls of the season in that section. They returned to Washington last Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Darnall, accompan-

ied by their daughter, Mrs. Harry Shacklette of Philadelphia and Mrs. La

Hue of Front Royal. Va., motored to

Atlantic City last week in Mr. Darnall's Hudson touring car. Leaving here Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock they motored to Wilmington, Del., where they were joined by Harry Shacklette, crossing by ferry to Penns Grove, N. J., and following the Malaga pike to Atlantic City. The return trip was via the White Horse pike to Philadelphia, thence to Wilmington and Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Schroth and Mr. a

Enjoyed Atlantic City Trip.

On Labor Day Outing.

after a 2,000-mile trip in their Chal-

mers roadster. Leaving the National

Returned From 2.000-Mile Trip.

manager for the Chalmers Motor Con

New concrete road partially in-ished and open to traffic beyond Upper Marlboro in direction of Mils bridge. Where concrete road terminates balance of road has been graded to bridge, so that no dotours are necessary.

Motoarists intending to take the trip to Shady Side, Md., are advised to motor direct to Lothian and thence to Owingsville and Sudley. This route considered most popular one.

Detour necessary at Newark, Del., where bridge was recently washed away. Bad going in wet

Owing to road construction work a three-mile detour is necessary at Marcus Hook, on road between Chester and Wil-mington.

RETURN AFTER THREE YEARS' ABSENCE FROM NATIONAL CAPITAL

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Moncure Return From Protracted Visit to Foreign Countries.

H. Moncure of this city returned Friday after having crossed the continent from San Francisco in their Reo tourway and Sweden, later spending two of the western sun.

Mr. and Mrs. Moncure left yesterday to spend several days on the eastern shore of Maryland. September 15 he will resume his duties

The trip across the United States was begun July 24, via the northern route to Illinois, where the Lincoln

table were part of the equipment, the table being arranged at the front of the machine. The tourists motored from 8:30 o'clock in the morning until about 6 o'clock in the evening, never attempting to follow the roads after the hour last named. The longest day's run was 243 miles and the shortest was sixty-three miles, the latter being over some of the heavy roads of Nevada, where the going at times was very bad.

Roads Vary in Character.

They found roads of every imaginable

The original set of tires on the ma-chine was still in good shape, and not a second was lost on account of mechanical trouble.

AUTO LICENSE IS REVOKED.

New Jersey Official Refuses to Per-

By revoking the driver's license of N. J., Commissioner Dill of the New has set a precedent. Mr. Over is a deaf-mute, and his license has been revoked on the ground that a deaf-mute is not competent to operate an autonobile. After an examination in the case it was found that the local auto-mobile inspector, Charles R. Zacharias, had not issued a license to Mr. Over after examination, but as a renewal of his 1914 license. An explanation from young Over's grandfather, Harry Over of 410 Riverside drive, New York, was

He said that after his grandson, who is more than twenty years of age, had been taught to drive he was referred to Trenton to secure a license. Grandfather and grandson journeyed to Trenton together, and convinced the then commissioner of motor vehicles that the boy was competent to drive safely, in spite of his physical defects, through the use of special mirrors mounted on each side of the windshield of his car, so that he could see machines approaching from the rear on either side. Commissioner Dill is determined that no persons who cannot hear with ordinary clearness shall receive drivers' licenses.

Two six-cylinder Paige touring cars of the seven-passenger type were de-

Arthur Klein turned the Cleveland mile machine, cooking their meals on the track by lamplight in 49 1-5 seconds roadside, being equipped with a com-Vander-I thought your limousine

character and in various kinds of conditions. Throughout the entire trip the weather was ideal with the excepion of one rainy day and night, which, After spending nearly three years in however, did not materially interfere foreign countries Mr. and Mrs. Thomas with the pleasure of the outing.

ing car. Mr. Moncure for a number of years was connected with the United States geological survey in this city. About three years ago he left for Norway and Sweden, later spending two of the western sun

mit Deaf-Mute to Drive Car.

forthcoming.

He said that after his grandson, who

ered last week to Maurice Joyce and C. Thorn of this city. with but three punctures on the entire

Neutral.

Asterwall-It was, but it has to be painted again. I ordered it to be fin-ished in neutral colors, and the idiotic workman painted it red, white and blue.

One of the latest raincoats is of rub-One of the latest raincoats is of rub-berized creps de chine in a mannish model. It comes in copenhagen blue, heliotrope, sage green, mouse gray and dark red. Soft hemp hats, with scarfs to match, are worn with them.

roadside, being equipped with a complete camping outfit. Not once did they stop over at a hotel. The front seat had been specially constructed so that it could be used in forming a bed, in conjunction with the rear seat, and the tourists found this to be as comfortable as a standard bed. A wire was connected up with the electric lighting system on the car, and at night they were able to read with the aid of a large electric light, which was suspended from the top of the machine from the inside.

On the running boards of the car were fastened five metal boxes, in which were carried all of the utensils used on the run. Camp stools and a folding

They covered 3,700 miles between the

Pacific coast and the National Capital,

run. They slept every night in their

F. Chiswell, Mrs. Olidia Taggart, Miss Irene Ockerhausen and F. H. Bird of Dickerson, Md. Convertible roadsters of the same make were also delivered to Dr. Frank H. Schultz and A. B. Lyon. After driving her Maxwell from Long only companions are her ten-year-old son and Buster, a husky bull terrier. Mrs. Kent made her eastward trip in eleven days and expects to beat this fast time on her way home.

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Maxwell Wins Climb. Driven by Charles Bouril of Manito-

voc, Wis., a 1916 Maxwell touring car

won the Maribel Caves hill climb from a large field, being the only one of the contestants to beat seven minutes in the ascent of the steep, long grade.

Two Franklin Deliveries During the past week 1916 Franklin 6-30 touring cars were delivered to Lieut. C. M. Dowell, U. S. A., and Miss Deborah G. Exel.

Oldsmobile Deliveries.

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touring cars were delivered to Thomas

Woman's Long Motor Trip.

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Kent is now on her return trip. Her

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Writes He Has No Fear That War Will Interfere With

One of the members of the Automo fle Club of America, Francis H. Southvick, for whom the foreign department outlined a tour in France, has written in interesting letter descriptive of conditions in that country for the current time, since the run was made under the issue of the Club Journal, in which, in part, he says:

"I arrived at Aix-les-Bains a week ago, and have had no difficulties what-ever on account of the existing war, either in respect to the individuals of my party, my wife, self or chauffeur, or to the automobile itself.

"The Royal Automobile Club of London arranged matters so that, after having had our passports vised by the French consul at Geneva, I was given a 'sauf conduit' from there to Annecy, and from there another 'sauf conduit' was issued by the military commandant of that section of France to come here. As soon as I arrived here the commis-As soon as I arrived here the commissaire de police gave me a 'permis de circulation en automobile,' which gives me the privilege of going about freely in the surrounding country over a radius of a hundred kilometers (sixtytwo and a half miles), practically sufficient for any one day's trip, and, if I should desire to run further, special permission can be had for the asking.

"The authorities all assured me that

will have no trouble whatever in carying out the trip outlined by the foreign department of the club before I left New York-that is to say, from here to Nice and from there via

fore I left New York—that is to say, from here to Nice and from there via the Mediterranean coast to the Pyreneean mountains, thence by the 'Route des Pyrenees' to Biarritz. Of course, one's papers must be all right, and it is well to have good letters of introduction to bankers or prominent business concerns in the country; also to be provided with at least a dozen small unmounted photographs of every one, including the chauffeur, as each 'sauf conduit' must have a photo of every person gummed to it.

"Plenty of good hotels are open in any place where it would be desirable to stop, and the prices for first-class accommodations are somewhat less than before the war. Of course, there are very few guests at the hotels at present, but they tell me they expect quite a number of French people as well as Spanish and South Americans later, when the 'season' in Savoy really opens in normal times.

"We had no trouble at all in Switzerland, but, of course, kept away from the frontiers of belligerent countries except when we crossed into France.

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TON IN THEM CONTINENTAL TRIP. PRIOR TO THEIR ARMS.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, LATER VISITING OTHER FOREIGN COUNTRIES.

Mrs. L. F. McGee returned Tuesday there is a motor trip in Mr. Schrödis Recording from a motor trip in Mr. Schrödis Recording from a motor trip in Mr. Schrödis Recording from the Atlantic seaboard, but from all the great farming states were the Maswell Motor Sales Corporation of Detroit and H. B. Leary, of the Mississippi river and between the Maswell Motor Sales Corporation of Detroit and H. B. Leary, of this city have been made in the canadian and Mexican borders.

This routing demand has made the transcontinental automobile map, show-transcontinental automobile map, show-transcontinental automobile map, show-and arriving at the seashore at 10:50 Maha, Des Moines to Chicago, thence the Caramie, Denver, Lincoln, Omaha, Des Moines to Chicago, thence the Caramie, Denver, Lincoln, Omaha, Des Moines to Chicago, thence the Caramie, Denver, Lincoln, Omaha, Des Moines to Chicago, thence the Caramie, Denver, Lincoln, Omaha, Des Moines to Chicago, thence the Caramie, Denver, Lincoln, Omaha, Des Moines to Chicago, thence the Caramie, Denver, Lincoln, Omaha, Des Moines to Chicago, thence the Caramie, Denver, Lincoln, Omaha, Des Moines to Chicago, thence the Caramie, Denver, Lincoln, Omaha, Des Moines to Chicago, thence the Maswell Motor Sales Corporation of Detroit and H. B. Leary, Ir. of this city have been made in the transcontinental automobile map, show-transcontinental automobile map dred-mile event that last year permitted an average speed of 87.08 miles an
hour by Eddie Pullen, the winner.
George R. Bentel of Los Angeles is
credited with the first entries, and has
announced that Eddie Pullen would
drive one of the cars.
The \$15,000 in drivers' purses has
been raised, it is announced, and most
of the big drivers of the country are
expected to enter. This is the only
big race scheduled for southern California this year.

BREAKS AMATEUR RECORD ACROSS THE CONTINENT

FOR TOURING FRANCE Joseph Darling, Driving a Ford, Covers 3,747 Miles in 454 Hours.

> of Los Angeles made what is claimed to be a record run for non-professional drivers, from Los Angeles to New York, when he completed the distance in 19 days, 18 hours and 15 minutes. This mark is said to be fully five days bet-ter than the best previous amateur record and is expected to stand as official sanction of the American Automobile

ime, since the run was made under the sanction of the American Automobile Association.

Late in July, Mr. Darling decided to have a try for the amateur transcontinental record. He took the matter up with E. F. Cheffins, member of the A. A. A. contest board of Los Angeles. After selecting his car, a Ford, Darling started from the offices of the Los Angeles Examiner at midnight of July 31, carrying a letter to serve as passport and credentials in case of trouble with police officers en route. He checked in at the New York office of the association at 6:15 p.m., August 20.

The trip was made over the national old trails route, the distance from Los Angeles to Manhattan being 3,242 miles. Detours made necessary by bad roads and washouts increased the distance 505 miles, making the total run 3,747 miles. Rains and slippery roads encountered in some portions of the country made fast running dangerous.

In addition to establishing what appears to be the record time for this trip, Mr. Darling also made an extremely low mark for expenses. Gasoline and oil for the trip cost \$38, or approximately 1 cent per mile. Tires cost the same amount, and adjustments en route entailed an expense of only \$3.55. A preliminary overhaul in Los Angeles cost \$25 and adjustments made after New York was reached totaled \$14.15. The total expense for the run amounted to \$118.70, exclusive of Mr. Darling was unaccompanied, driving the entire distance himself. On his showing he claims the amateur record for all distances from Los Angeles to New York, with the exception of the distance from Los Angeles to New York, with the exception of the distance from Los Angeles to New York, with the exception of the distance from Los Angeles to New York, with the exception of the distance from Los Angeles to Needles, Cal. Mr. Darling states that he stands ready to defend his record in this class, and asks only that all records be deposited with the contest board of the American Autotomobile Association for examination.

The longest day's run was 333 miles,

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